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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **\$244 MILLION IN NEW TRANSPORTATION FUNDING ALLOCATED FOR STATE'S INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM**

**CITY WHERE YOUR DISTRICT OFFICE IS LOCATED** – The California Transportation Commission has allocated \$244 million in new funding to 71 projects that will improve highways, bridges and passenger rail and help develop more active transportation options. These allocations included \$18.5 million from the Active Transportation Program that will go toward 29 bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the state.

“Investing in our infrastructure benefits Californians for generations to come and these projects will improve mobility and expand choices for all users of the transportation system, whether they choose to travel by car, take transit or ride a bicycle,” said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty.

The newly allocated funding includes \$87.4 million from the State Highway Operation and Protection Program for 18 projects that will preserve and protect the state highway system. These capital improvements include transportation safety projects, pavement repair and preservation work and upgrades to bridges throughout the state.

Also included among allocations:

- Nearly \$30 million for Transit and Intercity Rail Program projects which seek to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, expand rail service to increase ridership, integrate various rail and bus systems and improve rail safety.
- \$18 million for Traffic Congestion Relief Program projects that will relieve congestion, connect transportation systems and provide for better goods movement.
- \$15.8 million from Proposition 1B, a transportation bond approved by voters in 2006. To date, more than \$19.2 billion in Proposition 1B funds have been put to work statewide for transportation purposes.
- The remaining \$74 million in allocations came from various state and federal transportation accounts.



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Highlights of the funding allocations include:

Riv 15 - \$1,307,000 - In Temecula, from 0.2 mile south of Rancho California Overcrossing to 0.1 mile south of Winchester Road Overcrossing. Improve safety for highway workers by relocating existing roadside facilities (including irrigation, electrical and traffic control) to safe locations, constructing safe ingress and egress access, parking and reduce repetitive maintenance and repair activities.

Riv 15 - \$1,043,000 - In and near Norco, from 6th Street to 0.2 mile south of 68th Street. Stabilize slopes and native tree and vegetation planting to reduce the transport of sediment from the highway right of way to the Santa Ana River - Reach 3. The project is needed in compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit.

Riv 15 - \$20,000 – In Banning, construct bicycle facilities and pedestrian improvements along several streets leading to public schools and facilities.

SBd 71 - \$1,275,000 - In Chino and Chino Hills, from 0.4 mile south of Euclid Avenue to 0.2 mile north of Pine Avenue. Sediment stabilization and erosion control measures including sediment traps and planting. The project will reduce erosion and sediment load in storm water runoff that discharges to Chino Creek Reach 1B in compliance with NPDES permit requirements.

SBd 15 - \$41,000 – In Ontario, Design and construct two intersection chokers with rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFB), raised median with RRFB, detectable warning surfaces, ADA-compliant ramps, striping, and ADA-compliant driveways.

Please see the attached file for more information about all projects that received allocations.

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